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A republican state convention to

nominates candidates for state officers

and electors for president and vice

president of the United States, and for

the transaction of other business, will

be held at Whitneys opera house in the

city of Detroit at 11 o'clock A. M. on

Wednesday, August 13, 1884. In ac-

cordance with a resolution adopted at

Grand Rapids, May 16, 1876, every

county will be entitled to one vote

cast for governor at the last state elec-

tion (in 1882) and one additional vote

for every fraction of 300 votes, but

each organized county will be en-

titled to at least one delegate. Craw-

ford county is entitled to but one dele-

gate.

Anything to Beat Blaine.

The independent betrayed the true

spirit of their own party, in making

of every person admitted, a pledge

to oppose the election of Mr. Blaine.

It was not, by the terms prescribed,

a meeting to discuss means of attaining

the political purity which is the politi-

cal goal of the independent, but a

conspiracy to prevent the success of the

republican ticket. In form it was a

protest of dissatisfied republicans; in

substance it was a scheme to make a

personal bolt effective to accomplish

a republican defeat.

The nomination of Mr. Cleveland

was made professedly and mainly in

the hope that the little squad of re-

publican bolters would be able and

willing to enter upon a special cam-

paign of their own which should re-

sult in carrying over to him enough

votes to elect him.

Mr. Cleveland was put

forth as the champion and exemplar

of purity and reform to accomplish

this one result. The independent

have entered upon their part of the

programme with alacrity. A few

of them put and dried the proceedings

of the conference beforehand in a

way that would have done credit to

any political machine of either party

that ever existed in New York. The

whole thing was mapped out in ad-

vance. (One man was to say this

thing and another that; one man to

do this and another that; and so on

and so forth.) The independent

and speedily, motion-makers

and seconders, resolutions and address

were all prepared with the utmost

care by the half-dozen men who

have the whole independent move-

ment in their keeping; and to prevent

the possibility of any subversion of

the plan in any detail, the doors were

closed to all except those who would

give the anti-Blaine pledge in the ves-

tibule.

It is no wonder that the proceed-

The Detroit Post says: Mr. John

Kelly, Mr. James O'Brien, and the

other Tammany leaders in New York

city continue to manifest the coldness

of ice toward the Cleveland ticket.

Tammany has now formally announ-

ced a determination to do nothing and

take no position until some time in

September. Meanwhile the meetings

made up of Irishmen and laboring

men in New York are growing rapidly

in numbers and enthusiasm. Some of

the democratic leaders talk about

checking this movement next month,

after they get Tammany pacified, if

that can be done. But such a move-

ment is like a breach in the dykes of

Holland, or a cravasse in the Missis-

sippi levees, in flood time; the only

time when it can be stopped is at the

beginning. By September the political

flood in favor of Blaine will be pour-

ing in broad and deep torrents through

gaps in the democratic party walls,

with a volume and momentum which

must continue to increase until the

election. Moreover, the movement

is spreading, so that it is already felt

all over the country, and especially all

over the state of New York and the

adjoining state of New Jersey and

Connecticut, which it will be absolutely

necessary for the democratic ticket to

carry in order to avoid disastrous de-

feats, a republican victory in Novem-

ber appears to be well assured.

The Free Press takes a characteris-

tic way of answering the accusations

that are made in Buffalo against the

personal character of Mr. Cleveland.

"Innocent or not," it says, "Mr. Blaine

has not escaped the gossiping tongue

of the scandal-monger, and stories

which would make his supporters

blush with shame have been circu-

lated about him." The organ just

assisted that Mr. Blaine's friends will

not be called upon to "blush with

shame," and also that Mr. Cleveland's

position will not be weakened by vague

threats against the candidate who is

opposed to him. There is a law of

original libel in New York, and a

prompt appeal to it against those who

have made the damaging statements

touching Mr. Cleveland would be

much more convincing than obscure

intimations of "you're another."

Post and Tribune.

Democratic Reform.

The New York Sun, though a demo-

cratic paper, does not admire the

present house of representatives. It

charges that the democratic majority of

the house of representatives, elected

in 1882, "as a rebuke to the profligacy

of the republicans," spent \$100,000

more than was spent "by the

quandering republican congress which

preceded the election of Mr. Tilden,

and within \$35,000,000 of the worst

house that ever existed." It says

nothing was done to relieve the

people of the crushing burden of tax-

ation, while the whole country was

called upon to admire the inauguration

of the new Kentucky and Illinois policy,

which promised to favor the interests

of British manufacturers at the ex-

pense of American workmen and

American capitalists. "To add to the

discouraging outlook, the Sun says,

Cleveland was nominated at Chicago.

—Bay City Tribune.

Kicking.

Wm. J. Gleason, of Cleveland,

chairman of the democratic city com-

mittee, and an active Irish agitator,

has declared for Blaine.

W. J. Dordán, a prominent leader

